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employer, and never requiring his attendance for a moment.

His allowance enabled him to figure in his own world with becoming distinction; or, at least, without being offensive to the eye. He could pay his subscription to the club, he could dine a friend, he could lose a trifle at *secours* without having also to lose a meal; he could even afford to be generous to his friends, and those who did not know the secret of the arrangement that secured their harmony thought them an ideally happy pair. So they lived during the comparatively short time that he was permitted to live. At length, they died. The duke went first, and his beloved partner did as much justice to the character of the noble as she had done to that of the noble wife. She died, and her death was a grief that established her, without ridding the loss of dignity, to show favour to the meanest dependent, and to be the object of the most unfeeling and unkind. When it came to her turn to follow her lord, it was found that she had left everything she had to dispose of to this most fortunate of servants. But she had not been so generous to her friends, and attention in her last hours that the lady's relatives, and especially the nearest of them, a son of the illustrious Berrier, appealed for redress to a court of law, and the duke's estate was put in jeopardy of the spoil, and the nephew in question became the occupant of the house in the Avenue du Trocadéro and the owner of its contents. He, too, has gone on his way, and the redoubtable Berrier has been obliged to partition the property among the sur-

industrious Berryer, appealed for redress to a court of law. There was ultimately a new and a fairer division

lovers has brought all these accustomed glories to the dogs—that is to say, to the acclamators.

REMARKABLE EGYPTIAN DISCOVERY.

A REMARKABLE study of Egyptian antiquity in Rome—has just appeared in the latest number of the *Archæological Bulletin of Rome*, written by the distinguished French archæologist, M. La Nonne. He thinks he has discovered one of the rarest existing Egyptian sculptures in the gallery of the Ludovisi villa, which occupies the site of the ancient gardens of Salust. When the land of the Pharaohs fell into the power of the Cæsars it became the custom to transport the products of Egyptian art to Italy as ornaments of the houses, villas, and palaces. The Egyptian workmen wrought the hardest substances "with wonderful skill," their art presenting peculiar characteristics derived from the traditions of ages long past. Greeks and Roman travellers made the tour of Egypt to visit the wonderful temples of Thebes and to see the pyramids, and on their return these ancient monuments, "where they still may be seen, when not obliterated by modern travellers. On their return they brought with them such objects as they could conveniently carry as curiosities, and these are now found in almost every part of the Roman Empire where excavations are made. It was this admiration of Egyptian articles which induced the Roman emperors, to transport the enormous obelisks to Rome, at great expense, sometimes building ships expressly for that purpose. The ship built by Caligula, to bring the obelisk of the Vatican, is said by Pliny to have been nearly as long as the left side of the port of Ostia. The emperors also ordered some obelisks to be made in imitation of the antique, and one of these, dedicated to Hadrian, and standing in their beloved Antinous, who was drowned in the Nile, still exists on the Pincian Hills.

The workshop of Egyptian divinities, which extended through the Roman Empire, so that almost every city had its temple to Isis and Osiris, caused the admiration for Egyptian

articles to increase. The walls of these temples were ornamented in the Egyptian

style, but often with little pictorial effect, by Roman artists. But the attractions of the shrine were increased by some statues or columns of real Egyptian workmanship, the hieroglyphics of which were as great a mystery to the priests as to the people. Thus, at a time passed, and these temples fell into ruin, many of the real Egyptian workmanship were buried in the soil. The objects of the Vatican is almost entirely formed of objects found in Rome, the fashion then existing explaining their presence here.

Among the rarest of these objects found in Rome is a bust which has formed part of the Ludovici's collection from its beginning.

Rome is indebted to a foreigner for having discovered the value of this important relic which has been hitherto neglected, it being the only one of its kind in Europe, and until a few years ago, the only one which had been discovered. As there was no other bust with a similar type of features, and arrangement of the hair with him to compare it, its value will be recognised. Fifteen years ago a stir was made in the scientific world by the discovery in Egypt of sphinxes and sculptures groups belonging to the age of the Shephards, and the bust had previously been supposed to be barbarian. The reign of all the arts and sciences were destroyed. It came from Asia, and, like the bones of

Attila, conquered the country and established themselves there. One of these kings, Attila,

is supposed to be the one of whom Joseph was Prime Minister. He erected a temple to the god Sûkth at Tunis, his capital, in opposition to Osiris, the national divinity of the Egyptians. This temple, like all those of the first order, was ornamented by an avenue of sphinxes, four of which were found at Tanis by Signor Mariette Bey. They bear the name of Apepi, and instead of the usual mode of dressing the hair, have it arranged in sixteen curls, the hind and four on either side of the face, the third ring shaved and the long beard cut in waves, in the form of a fan. The lineaments of the face are of a granite different from other Egyptian busts and of the race now existing, while the very type of these recently found portraits is now to be seen near the Lake Menzaleh, in Egypt. These people are, no doubt, the descendants of the shepherd race. A colossal group, in gray granite, of two men with the same unusual lineaments and arrangement of the hair, and a similar granite statue of a king covered with tiger skins, together with the four sphinxes, are the only known relics of the first order of the Shepherd Kings. To them so little has hitherto been known to the students of ancient Egyptian history. To this may be added, by the important discovery of M. Le Vornant, this bust in the Villa Ludovisi. It is of the same material as the colossal group found at Tanis, and the dimensions, the type of features, the attitude and the attire are the same. The learned archæo-

logist supposes that this bust formed part of a similar group which stood near or opposite

the other in the temple Tanis. He supports this opinion also by a fracture existing in this bust where there was evidently at one time an extended arm, in nearly the same position as those of the group at Tanis, who offer each other the fruits of the Delta, having the arms extended and holding plates in the hand.

How wonderful are the secrets of the past. Time seems even to us, in view of these discoveries, as a shadow, and a thousand years as one day, when we find a stone upon which perhaps, the eyes of Joseph rested, and which the proud Pharaoh, his patron, placed in the



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